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Comment – 5/30/04

This is Patricia Ronhour, 206.243.7417. I live in the South Area in a place known as Seahearst, WA and I use the viaduct regularly. I want the viaduct retrofitted, rebuilt, replaced in the air, pretty much as it is now. It works great it carries many thousands of cars every day, its beautiful from the water and from the City it hurts nothing. It allows the businesses that are already there to function nicely and I feel the tunnel just frees the air to build condos for somebody else and to build more skyscrapers and the inconvenience of the many many years it will take to put it in is unbearable. I actually feel that the choice that the Chamber has of putting a tunnel in is far too expensive and we can't afford it. It seems to me for a time the City would pay attention to what they can afford and the people who use the viaduct like it. Thank you very much.

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the Rebuild Alternative. After studying several retrofitting concepts, the lead agencies found that rebuilding the viaduct would not be a cost-effective, long-term solution that adequately addresses the risks to public safety and the weakened state of the viaduct. Elements of the Rebuild and Aerial Alternatives were incorporated into the Elevated Structure Alternative, which was analyzed in the 2006 Supplemental Draft EIS and the Final EIS. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2004, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.